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Docket No.: 826.1482

AT & TOWN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Kanji UCHINO, et al.

Serial No. 09/048,026

Group Art Unit: 2776

Confirmation No. 3866

Filed: March 26, 1998

Examiner: C. Paula

For:

FORUM/MESSAGE BOARD RELEVANT DOCUMENT DISPLAY APPARATUS AND

METHOD (AS AMENDED)

AMENDMENT

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Technology Center 2100

This is in response to the Office Action mailed December 6, 2002, and having a period for response set to expire on March 6, 2002. A Petition for a two-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to May 6, 2002.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested. No new matter has been added.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please REPLACE claim 19 as follows:

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19. (THREE TIMES AMENDED) A relevant document display apparatus for displaying on a display device a group of documents containing cross-referenced message documents contributed to at least one of a forum and a message board established through a computer network, the cross-referenced message documents having a cross-referenced relationship in which a document contributed earlier is referenced by documents contributed afterwards, said apparatus comprising:

a contents estimation device to estimate topic patterns of the cross-referenced message

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09/048,026 Application Number REPLY/AMENDMENT Filing Date March 26, 1998 FEE TRANSMITTAL First Named Inventor Kanji UCHINO, et al. **Group Art Unit** 2776 400.00 **Examiner Name** C. Paula AMOUNT ENCLOSED FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 10/01/01) Number **CLAIMS AS** Claims Remaining **Highest Number** AMENDED Previously Paid For After Amendment Extra Calculations Rate **TOTAL CLAIMS** X\$ 18.00 = 0.00 31 31 = 0 INDEPENDENT 11 = 0 X \$ 84.00 =0.00 11 **CLAIMS** Since an Official Action set an original due date of March 6, 2002, petition is hereby made for an \$400.00 extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); 2 months (\$400); 3 months (\$920); 4 months (\$1,440); 5 months (\$1,960)): If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$320) If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$110) Total of above Calculations = 400.00 Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28) RECEIVED TOTAL FEES DUE = 400.00 (1) If entry (1) is less than entry (2), entry (3) is "0". MAY 2 3 2002 (2) If entry (2) is less than 20, change entry (2) to "20". (4) If entry (4) is less than entry (5), entry (6) is "0". Technology Center 2100 (5) If entry (5) is less than 3, change entry (5) to "3". METHOD OF PAYMENT Check enclosed as payment.

 \boxtimes Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to the Deposit Account No. below. No payment is enclosed and no charges to the Deposit Account are authorized at this time (unless specifically required to obtain a filing date). **GENERAL AUTHORIZATION** 冈 If the above-noted "AMOUNT ENCLOSED" is not correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees necessary to: 19-3935 Deposit Account No. Deposit Account Name STAAS & HALSEY LLP X

The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC § 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR

1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application. CUDANTED DV. CTAAC & HALCEVILD

SUBMITTED BY: STAAS & HALSEY LLP				
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Signature	//		Date	5/6/02

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I hereby certify that this correspondance is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first iss mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner Palents and Trademarks. Washington, D.C. 20231